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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Tomohiro KONDO et al.

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METHOD

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**AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.111**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated November 25, 2005, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

Applicants have enclosed with this amendment a Petition for Extension of Time to make this response timely.

Please amend the application as follows:

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